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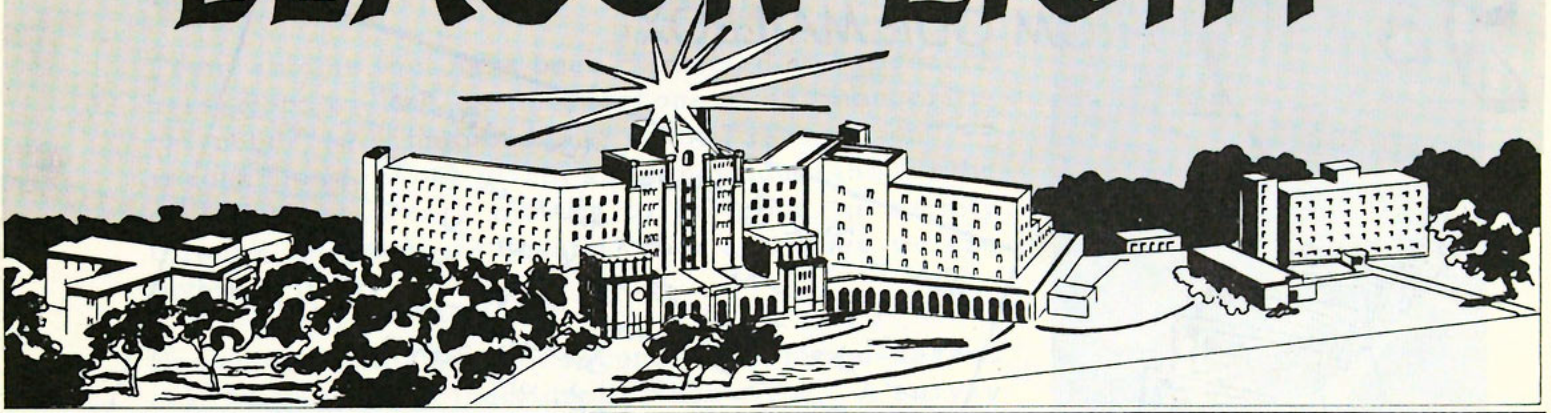
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BEACON LIGHT



VOLUME XIX NUMBER 3 SAINT CLOUD HOSPITAL NOVEMBER 1967



To You

FROM OUR MAILBOX



Dear Mr. Bakke and Administration,
We were very pleased to participate in the Dedication Mass. It was most inspiring and meaningful to us as students to be brought together in one body in that we have a common goal.

School of Nursing

22951 Myrna Ct
Livonia, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Recently while on vacation in your state, we had to make an emergency visit to your hospital. My small son was bitten by a dog and required medical treatment.

Because of the wonderful treatment my boy received from the attending doctor, the nurses and all others concerned, I felt it only fitting to compliment your staff and hospital.

The emergency ward is always busy and frantic, especially on a week-end, but everyone treated us so kindly that I am ever so thankful. I wish that we were as fortunate as your city is to have a hospital as nice as yours.

I thank you.

Mrs. Gilbert L. Dackiwis

To thank you for
your kindness and sympathy
at a time when it was
deeply appreciated

Bob. Jennings
& Family

From our Administrator...

THANK YOU!

From studies that have been conducted and research being done we are learning that one of our most critical needs as a human being is for "recognition" -- recognition for our worth as an individual and for the contribution we are making to the good of society through the work we do and other activities we are involved in.

Knowledge of this need for recognition is not possessed only by each of us individually, however. A survey of training needs for hospital supervisors conducted by the Catholic Hospital Association in 1961 shows supervisors themselves rated the development of human relations skills as their greatest training need.



GENE S. BAKKE

If we are in the position of supervising others (and a good many of us here in the hospital are) we have opportunities daily to commend an employee for a job well done, to compliment an associate when recognition is due, and to lend encouragement when the going gets tough. Such is the motivational fuel that spurs us on to even greater achievements.

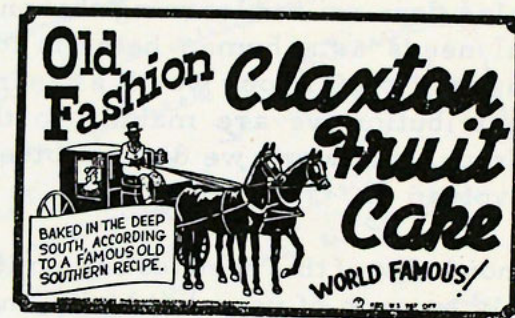
But recognition of a person's achievements must be honest and genuine -- it should not be practiced simply because it is the thing to do. On the contrary, to commend a person when it is not deserved would be worse than to offer no commendation at all. Rather, we have as serious an obligation to the patients, public and others concerned to correct and rectify poor performance as we do to commend outstanding achievement.

Nor should recognition be considered a condition upon which we agree to carry out our duties. If this were the case, we would be constantly concerned about who will get the credit, and someone has said, "There is nothing in this world you cannot accomplish if you really don't care who gets the credit." While recognition is the sweet spice of life that adds purpose and meaning to our work, it should, at the same time, be spontaneous, genuine and sincere.

The combined efforts of all of us here at Saint Cloud Hospital who in any way contribute directly or ultimately to the care of the patients we serve deserves continuing recognition. At this Thanksgiving time, we can all thank God that we have a dedicated Board, medical staff, Sisters, personnel, volunteers, students, and others working harmoniously together toward a common goal -- the highest quality of patient care we are capable of providing at the lowest possible cost.

Gene S. Bakke

THE AUXILIAN



Mr. Dave Pearce purchasing first fruit cake from Mrs. Leone Paul. Mrs. Helen Johnson, Fruit Cake Chairman, Mrs. Marie Hoppert, Director of Volunteers, Mrs. Ruth Anderson. Mrs. Marlene Gambrino, Co-Chairman, was absent when the picture was taken.

If your thoughts (even before Thanksgiving) are on Christmas--remember it is time to think of our fruit cakes. Such a successful project in the past, we are hoping for another good year--1967.

You may find them in bank lobbies, at the hospital or any one of the Auxiliary members will be glad to help you find just the size you've been looking for! Sizes are one, two and five pounds, for \$1.00 a pound. A large order has just arrived and these people are waiting to fill your orders:

Mrs. W. E. Johnson	251-2802
Mrs. Angelo L. Gambrino	252-1033
Mrs. J. W. Weber	251-5082

May your Thanksgiving Day be filled with happiness!



Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Marie Wallek on the death of her husband, Raymond Wallek. May he rest in peace.

"N - O - A"

Nearly one hundred key people representing St. Cloud Hospital's total organizational structure met on October 16 and 17 to embark on a program of management improvement through establishment of needs, objectives and activities (NOA). Mr. W. I. Christopher, a well known and extremely well qualified professional consultant from St. Louis, presented the basic principles and guidelines in his lectures.

St. Cloud Hospital is the eighty-seventh hospital to become involved in this long-range program which is based on the concept of need and development of objectives to meet the needs and achieve competence in management. The total program sees everything as "a part of the whole" because the sum total of a hospital's effectiveness is what each unit accomplishes. Involvement of people at every level of supervision from the Board of Trustees, the medical staff, department heads, unit supervisors, head nurses and team leaders is vital to achieving the goal.

A stimulating lecture interrupted by a "lunch and coffee break," the setting of target dates and deadlines, and the challenge to become sensitive to behavior which indicates needs have all contributed to the interest and enthusiasm among the members. Since the program is scheduled to extend over a period of six to eight months, we shall see Mr. Christopher or one of his associates about every six weeks to keep us moving in the right directions. In the interim, a Steering Committee meets weekly to assess progress, set dates and evaluate the program.

"Management is not an easy job," as Mr. Christopher said, "and yet is the vital ingredient to keep an organization healthy, alive, and growing."

"And what are you going to do today to improve something that you did yesterday?"



CANCER DETECTION CLINIC

A breast cancer detection clinic for women of Stearns and Benton counties will be held November 29 at Saint Cloud Hospital.

The clinic is sponsored by Minnesota Division of American Cancer Society, Stearns--Benton Medical Society and the Minnesota Department of Health.

The goal of the advanced registration drive is 1,000.

MEET THE MEMBERS OF OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Sister Clyde

Sister Clyde was born and raised in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Before joining the Sisters of the Order of St. Benedict, she worked for the Gillete Rubber Company in Eau Claire as a bookkeeper. In September, 1939, she came to St. Joseph to join the Benedictines. Then she attended St. Louis University's School of Commerce from which she received a B.S. degree in 1944 and an M.S. with a major in economics in 1947. Following this she taught at the College of St. Benedict until she became treasurer of the Community in 1961 and she is now in her seventh year of such service. She is a member of the College of St. Benedict's Board of Trustees as well as of the hospital's Board. Her keen insights into financial and other matters make her a very valuable Board member.

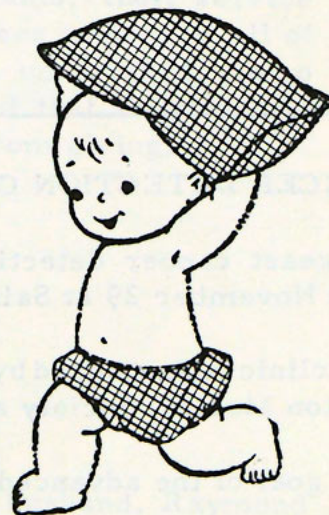
Sister inherited a love of card games especially pinochle, from her father. Her fantastic memory serves her well in cards as well as in telling jokes at which she is a very adept. Even the finest details of a funny story do not elude her memory and this only adds to the enjoyment.

She reads the Wall Street Journal daily which is a sign of her interest and concern with the financial affairs of the boards she is on as well as the interest of her country.

Thank you, Sister Clyde, for your valuable contribution.

NEW LIFE TO THEIR FAMILY . . .

- MRS. RONALD SCHULTZ (ANNA MARY PALLANSCH)
- MRS. VERNON KAETER (THERESA KAMPA) TWIN BOYS
- MRS. DENNIS LUTTERMAN (HUSBAND IS PHYSICAL THERAPIST HERE)
- MRS. ROGER URBANSKI (MARY JANE LENARZ)
- MRS. LEROY WEBER (JANET GRAY)
- MRS. ROBERT POPP (BONITA BRENNY)
- MRS. DAVID ELLIS (RUTH ANN SCHMIDT)
- MRS. RICHARD RIEDER (VERNA NELSON)
- MRS. WILLIAM MEYER (MARION WOJOHN)
- MRS. MAYNARD SAND (IMELDA CASPERS)
- MRS. LEROY JONAS (BARBARA FRANTESL)



Night Lights

Ken can be found in the laboratory from 3:00 - 11:00 most nights--or hurrying down the hall for a "stat" pick-up. And if, during those hours, you hear the public address system paging for "Laboratory Technologist"--it's generally Ken who will answer the call.

Ken received his B.S. Degree in Medical Technology from St. Cloud State College after his one year of internship in St. Cloud Hospital School of Medical Technology, and has been employed here since that time.

When one wonders why he chooses to work this particular shift, he answers, logically, "Because that gives me most of the day to do the things I really enjoy doing." And what might those things be? You name it--Ken is interested in doing it: Reading, electronics, piano (he's even composed some music), water skiing, swimming, motorcycling, and "just tinkering around the house."

Ken lives at home in St. Cloud with his father. And when this reporter got inquisitive about the future, he just gave a sly, non-committal grin and said, "I really don't know. We'll have to wait and see."



IN LOVING MEMORY JON SCHIMKE SAUK RAPIDS

"A Little Boy Who Loved To Rock"

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schimke, Sauk Rapids, donated a rocking chair to pediatrics in memory of their little son Jon who died at the University Hospital this past month. Dear little Jon spent many days of his two years of life with us on 4 South. We all grew to know and love him dearly. Whenever he was able, whether by his mother, a nurse aide or a nurse, he loved to be held and rocked. We in pediatrics will now be able to comfort many a tearful child, and at the same time remember little Jon who is now in the comforting arms of God.

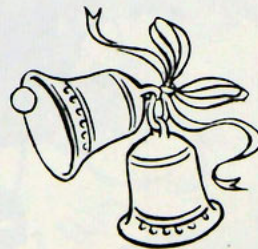


Welcome, New Employees

MRS. JO ANN PREAM	LPN	3 NORTH
PAMELA MOEN	LPN	2 NORTH
BETH MATTILA	LPN	2 NORTH
MARY ANNE SPIER	LPN	2 NORTH
MRS. JUDITH ASPER	LPN	5 NORTH
MRS. MARY SAKRY, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	5 NORTH
MRS. HANNAH LOEB, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	SURGERY
KENNETH RUNBERG	SUPPLY CLERK	CENTRAL SERVICE
MRS. JEAN KROGH	SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR	ADM. AND COMM.
MRS. SHIRLEY BANG, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	4 SOUTH
MRS. RUTH PALLANSCH, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	4 NORTH
MRS. JUDITH PETERSON, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	4 NORTH
MRS. VERONICA SCHROEDER, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	1 SOUTH (E.R.)
CAROL KUKLOK	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	4 NORTH
YVONNE PILARSKI	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	4 SOUTH
CAROL NISTLER	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	5TH FLOOR
CHERI JENSEN	JR. MED. REC. CLERK	MEDICAL RECORDS
KATHLEEN MAREK	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	SCHOOL OF NURSING
JEANETTE CARLSON	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	SCHOOL OF NURSING
MARY OELRICH	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	SCHOOL OF NURSING
JANET SCHMIDT	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	SCHOOL OF NURSING
KAREN SOUKUP	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	SCHOOL OF NURSING
HEIDI LORIMER	HOUSEKEEPING AIDE	SCHOOL OF NURSING
ALICE SAND, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	4 SOUTH
MRS. JUDITH LARSON, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	1 SOUTH
MARLENE SPRAGUE	LPN	3 SOUTH
RAY BREZINSKI	PORTER	HOUSEKEEPING FLOAT
MARGARET TREWICK	TRAY AIDE	KITCHEN
MRS. CAROL THELEN	LPN	ICU
JOAN MICHELAU	LPN	4 NORTH
MRS. LYNNE KRUGER	LPN	2 SOUTH
MRS. MARILYN CALLANAN, R.N.	STAFF NURSE	3 SOUTH
SHARON NELSON	COOK AIDE	KITCHEN
BARBARA HUEBNER	LPN	3 SOUTH
LOUIS CANFIELD	ASSISTANT DISHROOM OPERATOR	DIETARY
GEORGE EVENSON	PATROL OFFICER	OUTSIDE

MARRIAGES

SANDRA FUCHS, LPN, SURGERY TO ROBERT SEXTON 9-9-67
ELIZABETH MADER, LPN, 2 SOUTH TO AXEL OLSON 9-23-67
CAROL COURT, NURSE AIDE, 4 NORTH TO JOHN SCHWEGEL 10-7-67
ANN STRATMOEN, R.N., STAFF NURSE, 2 SOUTH TO JOSEPH WARNER 10-21-67
DORIS SCHRAUT, NURSE AIDE, 2 SOUTH TO DEAN MARTIN 10-21-67
JUDITH MERDEN, NURSE AIDE, 2 NORTH TO RICHARD SPODEN 10-7-67



SIXTY-NINE YEARS OF TOGETHERNESS

Four North was the scene of a very special occasion on October eleventh. Mrs. Alex Brandtner, a patient, and her husband were celebrating their sixty-ninth Wedding Anniversary.

The hospital room was bright with flowers and smiles as the Hospital Sisters served dinner to the ninety-one year old couple. Relatives, friends, and employees stopped in to wish them well and get a glimpse of good life reflected in the faces of the handsome gentle couple.



Mr. and Mrs. Alex Brandtner

Mrs. Brandtner, formerly Katherine Nies, and Mr. Brandtner grew up in Stearns County. They were married in St. Nicholas, Minnesota. Eleven children blessed their marriage with eight girls and two boys still living. The Brandtners were visiting their daughter, Mrs. L. D. Dinndorf, in St. Cloud when Mrs. Brandtner fell and had to be hospitalized.

Ellsworth, Wisconsin, has been their home for the past forty years with Mr. Brandtner enjoying retirement from the lumber business the last twenty years. Driving his own car is Mr. Brandtner's favorite pastime. Each morning, accompanied by another couple, he drives across town to attend Mass.

Our best wishes for continued "good years" go out to them with a "thank you" for letting us share their great day.

CLERGYMEN'S DINNER

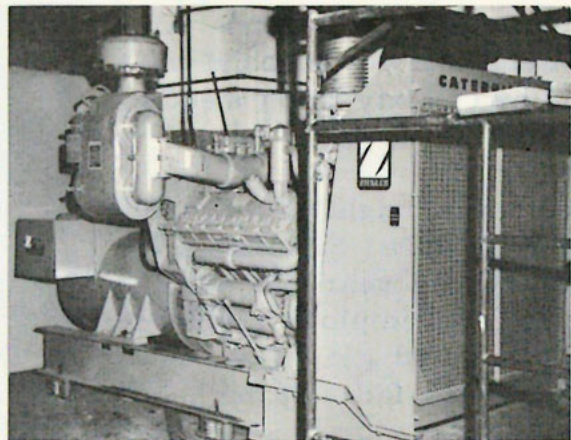
On October 24 the Protestant and Catholic clergymen of the City of St. Cloud were invited to be the guests of the administrative staff of the St. Cloud Hospital. The unique and worthy contribution that the clergymen extend to the patients in our hospital and to their relatives at the time of illness or family crisis was recognized by Mr. Tom McLaughlin, administrative assistant. Following a discussion regarding the spiritual care of patients, a history of the St. Cloud Hospital and the plans for future expansion were described to the group.



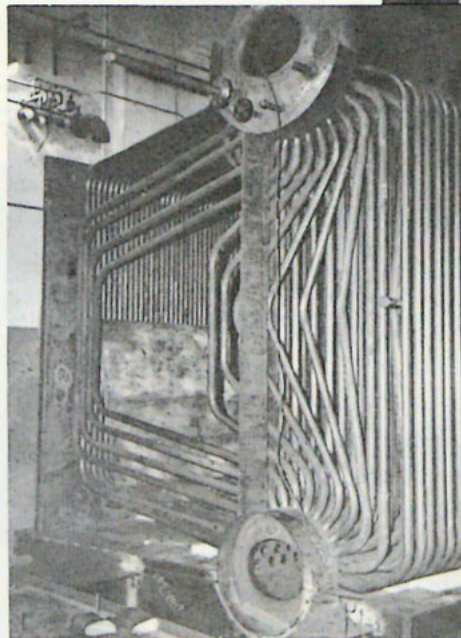
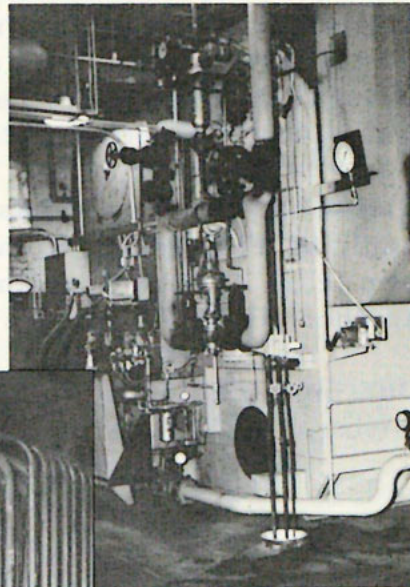
SCH POWERHOUSE



Sounded like a freight train overhead!! This temporary steam discharge was part of the initial starting and adjusting of the new boiler. That was the noise you heard on the weekend of October 20 and the days following it.

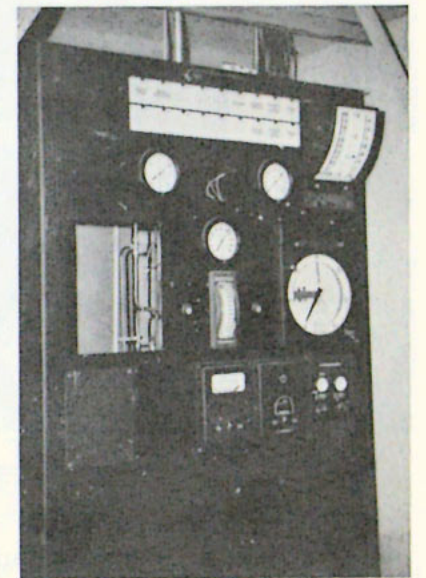
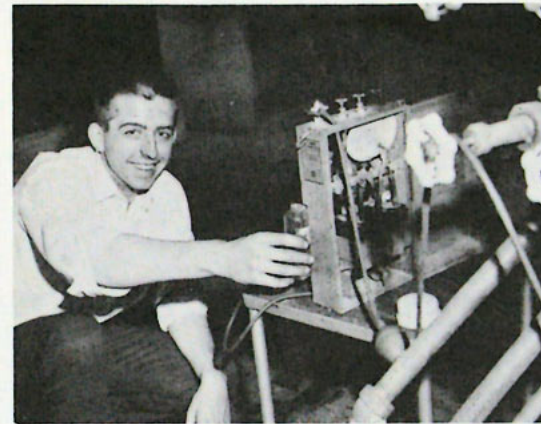


Emergency electric power generator has the capacity of 400 KVA. It will go on automatically to supply the hospital within 20 seconds. It will use the same fuel as the boiler which means we have sufficient fuel during a disaster. It will be tested every two weeks.



Like putting a puzzle together! An "inside" and "outside" view of our new gas/oil burning boiler. These "miles" of pipe carry the water which is turned to steam for our use; 27,500 pounds of steam can be generated each hour!

John Freed from the Cleaver-Brooks Company inspects the new boiler. His approval follows many intensive hours of tests on every part of the boiler. City inspectors check the gas line and the insurance company also places a stamp of approval before the boiler can be operated.



The main control panel for the new boiler.

SAINT CLOUD HOSPITAL
SAINT CLOUD, MINNESOTA

COAL CONSUMPTION GRAPH

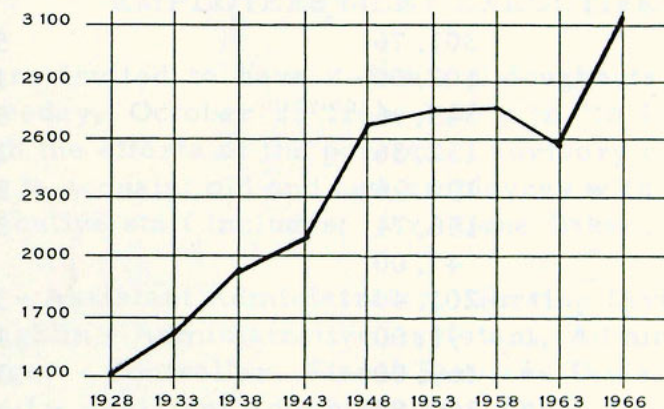
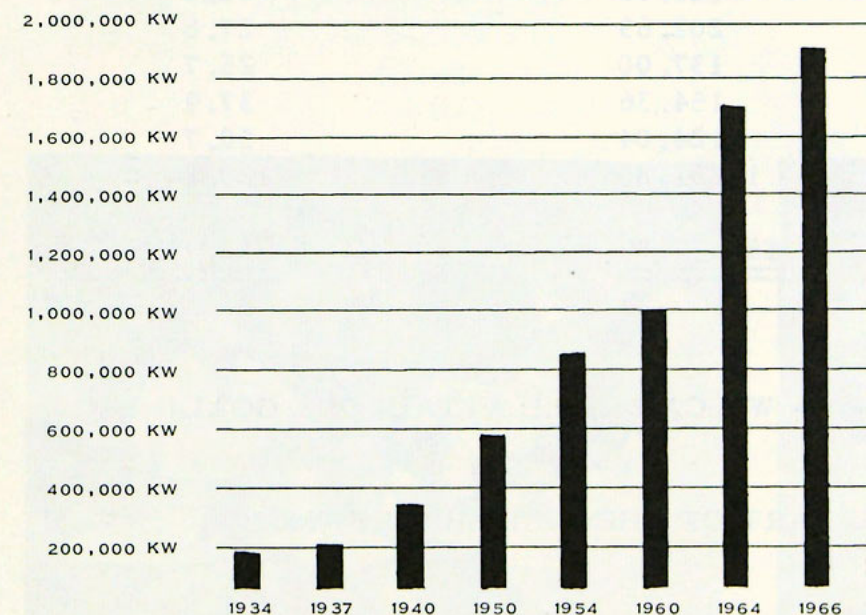
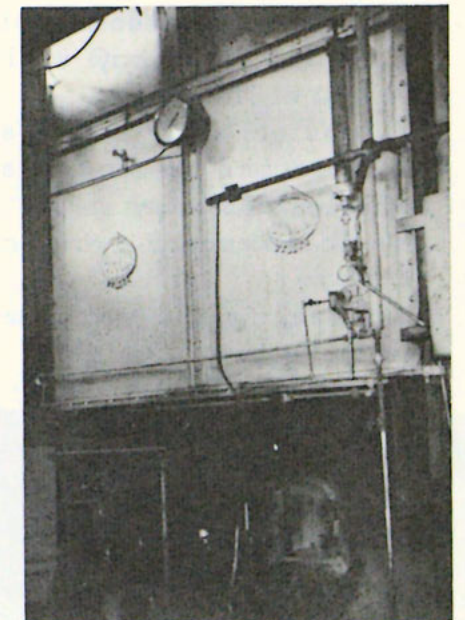


TABLE OF COMPARISON FOR ANNUAL ELECTRICAL CONSUMPTION
BETWEEN 1934 - 1966

KW = 1,000 WATTS PER HOUR



In a very "unassuming" small brick enclosure outside the boiler room between the smoke stack and garage you will find the main gas valve and regulators for the new boiler and new laundry equipment. This area must be devoid of any cause of ignition such as electricity; a flashlight is used for checking the area.



One of our 2 coal burning boilers which were installed in the hospital originally; each one has the capacity of generating steam at 10,500 pounds per hour. These will be our standby boilers this winter.

UNITED FUND REPORT

At the last U.F. report day the employees of St. Cloud Hospital had attained nearly 50% of their goal. With many cards still unreported we are optimistic about a very generous response.

Since our solicitation program got a late start, the community had reached its goal before our first report was recorded. However, the industrial division, of which we are a part, was still far from its goal at last report.

Here is a distribution showing how our departments are doing so far. Laboratory and Administration have exceeded their goal. C.S. - Pharmacy and Medical Records can easily make it.

DEPARTMENT	TOTAL TO DATE	PERCENTAGE OF GOAL
Nursing Service	301.76	56.1%
1 South	102.00	17.0
2 South	345.96	59.1
2 North	132.36	29.3
3 South	190.96	37.8
3 North	196.74	38.1
4 South	47.00	9.9
4 North	201.40	30.3
5 South	91.00	14.7
5 North	169.00	37.8
O.R. and Anesthesia	359.88	49.8
C.S. and Pharmacy	239.00	72.5
School of Nursing	174.00	58.7
Laboratory	538.16	100.2
X-Ray	156.68	44.8
Physical Therapy	126.56	57.7
Medical Records	121.60	82.8
Dietary	202.63	27.6
Engineering and Maintenance	137.00	25.7
Housekeeping	154.36	37.9
Laundry	124.04	50.7
Administration	1,261.80	120.8
TOTAL TO DATE	<u>\$5,373.89</u>	<u>52.9%</u>

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE - - - WE CAN STILL ATTAIN OUR GOAL!

WERE YOU PART OF THE FAIR SHARE???



EMPLOYEES MEET EXECUTIVE STAFF

Employees were invited to have coffee and doughnuts with the executive staff of the hospital Wednesday, October 25 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The coffee hour was planned through the efforts of the personnel advisory committee. The purpose of the coffee hour was to acquaint old and new employees with the members of the executive staff. The executive staff includes: Mr. Gene Bakke, Administrator and,

Sister Paul - Assistant Administrator, Nursing Division
 Tom McLaughlin - Administrative Assistant, Administrative Services Division
 John Seckinger - Controller, Fiscal Services Division
 Harry Knevel - Assistant Administrator, Other Professional Services Division
 Sister Colleen - Administrative Assistant, General Services Division

As special guest, Miss Sharon Norquist, St. Cloud Hospital's "Miss St. Cloud" candidate was also present. Sharon was selected first runner-up and was also selected as "Miss Congeniality" by her fellow contestants. Congratulations on representing St. Cloud Hospital and the School of Nursing in such a fine way.



SAFETY SAMMY

Each month a member of the Safety Committee simulates a fire for a certain area of the hospital, convent, or nurses home. This month we observe Sister Albert "in action" in the dietary department.



1. Sister Albert handing fire notice to Sister Generose.



2. Sister Generose notifies hospital switchboard operator.



4. Additional help comes to fight the fire.

5.

Fire report is completed and sent to administration.



Operator alerts entire hospital, nurses home, and convent. Also notifies St. Cloud Fire Department.



3.

STUDENT JETTISONS

As the school year opened, new faces were seen in the light of leadership. All officers were elected at the close of the year last spring except those of the new Freshman class. Elections for Freshmen were held September 25. The enthusiasm shown by the officers is a good example of the widespread vigor of all of the students. A great year is in store!



STUDENT COUNCIL
Seated: President A. Dahl, V. President L. Meier.
Standing: Treasurer L. Borgerding and Secretary L. Meier.



CLASS OF 1969
Seated: Secretary B. Ahmann, President A. Kirchner. Standing: V. President D. Jenniges, Treasurer M. Gresser



CLASS OF 1970
Seated: President N. Tyndell, Secretary C. Forbrook. Standing: Treasurer N. West, V. President K. Mahoney



CLASS OF 1968
Seated: President L. Grossman
Standing: Secretary M. Schendel, Treasurer J. Krystosek, V. President M. Mehl

Left to right seated: Treasurer S. Norquist, 2nd V. President G. Theisen, President S. Botz, Corresponding Secretary K. Kiffmeyer
Standing: 3rd V. President J. Grausam, 1st V. President M. Mehl. Chairmen of Committee on Nominations: M. Schendel, Secretary B. Goolsby.





SISTER JOMARIE

Sister Jomarie has "come back" to the St. Cloud Hospital. After graduation from high school in her home town of Frazee, Minnesota, Sister enrolled in our School of Nursing and graduated in 1962. She was employed as a staff nurse on 2 South for almost a year and spent the summer working in Cook County Hospital in Chicago. In the Fall of 1963 Sister returned to Minnesota to join the Sisters of

St. Benedict. She made religious vows in 1965, then spent two years nursing in the Convent Infirmary and College Health Service at St. Benedict's, the Motherhouse. "It's great to be back in St. Cloud Hospital and I'm happy to be here as a "sister-nurse."

SISTER ANNELDA

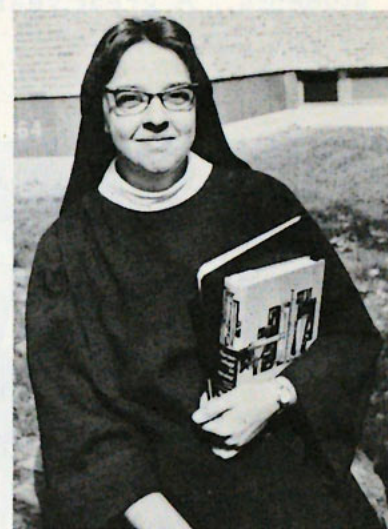
This is "four times around for me," says Sister Annelda. After spending nearly ten years in the Orient Sister finds the American way of doing things a bit foreign! When work is done in the P. A. R. we can bet that Sister continues to be busy with knitting, crossword puzzles and rosary making.



SISTER VITA

For the past five years Sister Vita has been nursing on the Crow Creek Indian Reservation and at the Indian Mission Boarding School. She tells many an interesting story of life on the Reservation. After being away from Anesthesia for twenty years, Sister is preparing to return to Nurse Anesthesia so she is "brushing-up" and "refreshing" under the wings of the Anesthesia Department. Sister is a member of the Benedictine Priory (Mother of God Priory) in Watertown, S. D.

MEET OUR NEW SISTERS



SISTER ANNMARIE

"What I like most about St. Cloud is the nice people I meet every day," Sister Annmarie says softly but meaningfully. She is a member of the St. Paul Priory and spent the past year working as a Nurse Aide in St. Mary's Hospital and Home in Winsted, Minnesota. This year Sister is a freshman in the School of Nursing. Anyone who knows Sister is aware of her interest in people. She loves "to talk;" she enjoys singing and likes to spend time wood burning.



SISTER LEONORE

"Last year I attended the St. Cloud Vocational School of Practical Nursing and in June I was a member of the first graduating class. My dream has come true! I am working as a Licensed Practical Nurse on 4 North and like it very much." Sister Leonore enjoys people and has a special "knack" with them. She attributes this gift to the fact that she grew up in a family of ten children... Seven are either priests or sisters!

SISTER JUDITH

Sister Judith is a newcomer to the Mid-West. The years before 1964 were spent in New England, mostly in New Hampshire. She earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Boston College while working part time at New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston. Now Sister is a staff nurse on 2 South but during the year will rotate to the other Nursing Units.

SISTER MURIEL

"Some people have called me a "tomboy" because I enjoy any type of outdoor activity especially softball, basketball, and hiking. I also enjoy singing and putzing around with art." Sister Muriel now spends a good eight hours a day working in the Physical Therapy Department "where she is having a most wonderful experience" helping patients to help themselves. Sister grew up in Elrosa along with her nine brothers and Sisters. She entered the Convent of the Sisters of St. Benedict in 1964.

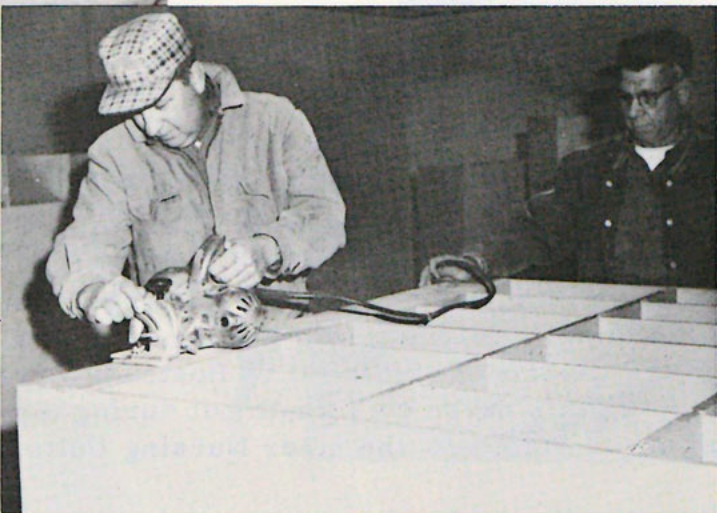
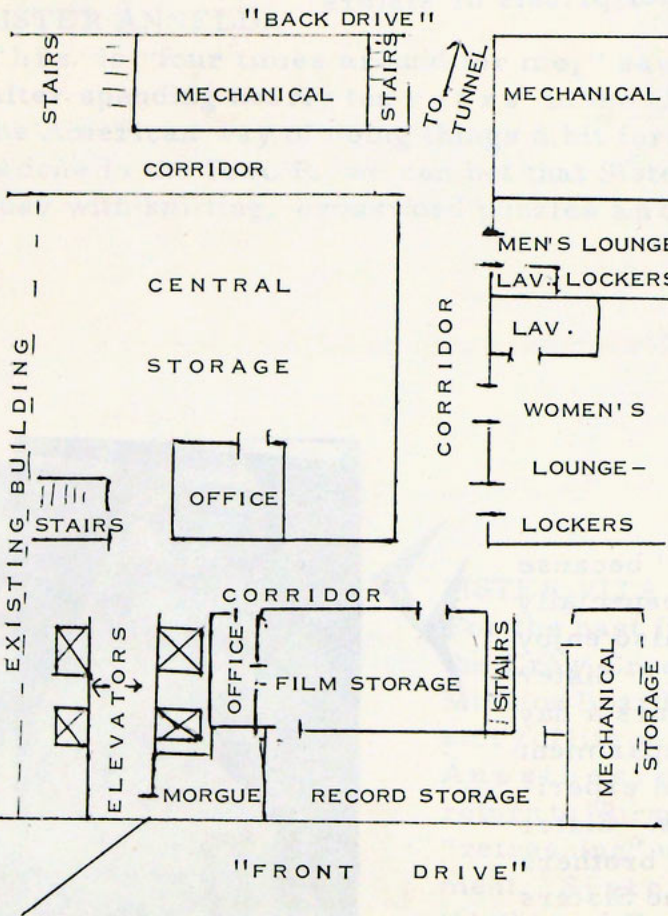


Building Blocks

We are on the move! Before Christmas the contractors will turn over B-Level for our use. Last week the x-ray department made a "first;" the film storage room was completed, cleaned by housekeeping and within minutes the transfer of films from 7th floor "penthouse" to the new building was initiated.



X-Ray film which has been moved to the new storage room and will soon be stored on shelves now being made by Ralph Schwagel and Tony Malikowski.



READY-SET-GO!

To get you ready for the day when the new building is "ours to keep" a sketch of each floor will be a part of this page "Building Blocks."

B-Level floor plan - soon to be occupied! (Not exactly according to scale, of course!)

ST. CLOUD
HOSPITAL

CREDIT UNION
OFFERS YOU...



SECURITY

Bonding Examinations Audits

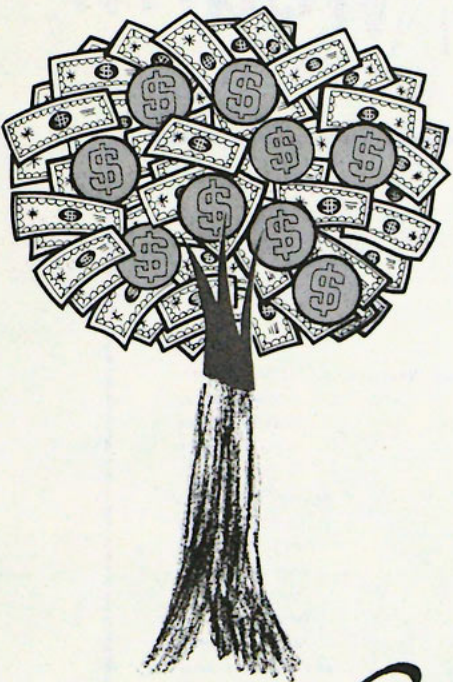
You can trust your credit union because you are one of the owners.

SAVINGS

SAVE THROUGH PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS
LIFE SAVINGS INSURANCE

LOANS

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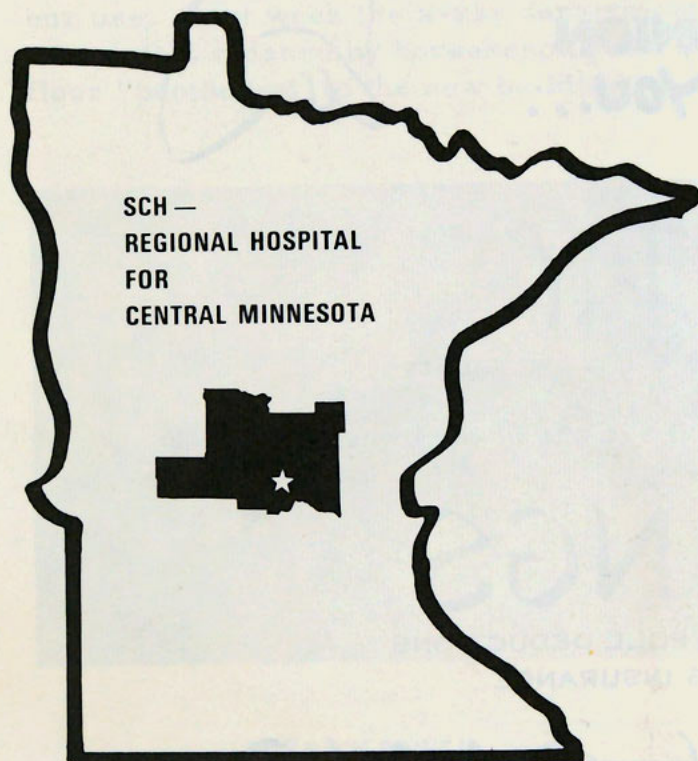


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